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Regents spare library, students

Vice presidents, deans to determine budget cuts

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Budget cuts of \$365,000 loom on Missouri Southern's horizon, and College officials are working to find places to slash a budget without any "fat."

"The College is run very cost efficiently," said Dr. Ray Malzahn, dean of the school of arts and sciences. "There are not many ways to reduce the budget without reducing services. I see no fat in arts and sciences, and don't think there is fat in other departments."

The cuts, resulting from a court order related to the Kansas City segregation case, will come from a variety of sources, most notably Southern's carry-over balance, or reserve fund.

On Friday, College President Julio Leon presented the Board of Regents with several budget reduction options.

The regents accepted an option which calls for tapping the reserve fund for \$200,000 and cutting mid-term classes, summer offerings, off-campus classes, and publication expenses. In addition, Southern would increase class sizes, leave open a vacant administrative position, and plan for \$40,000 in anticipated or unexpected revenues.

"The Board accepted this option because they did not wish at this time to pass the cost on to the students in the form of a surcharge," Leon told Southern's administrative council Tuesday. "They also wanted, as much as possible, to preserve the library's budget."

Earlier this month, Dr. Charles Kemp, head librarian, told *The Chart* that Spiva Library could lose nearly \$150,000. The amount would cut 40 percent from the library's book and periodical budget.

While Friday's decision by the

regents is designed to relieve some of this pressure, the library is not yet out of the woods.

"The Board decided to leave the decision [on specific cuts] to the vice presidents and the deans and see what options they wanted to choose," Leon said. "However, whatever they might decide to save among those first seven options, that means we will have to dip into the library."

While administrators acknowledge the cuts are deep, Leon said he hopes the effects can be minimized as much as possible.

"We don't think any one department is going to feel the effects very much," Leon said. "We will try to spread the cuts over a broad base."

Although specifics of the cuts have not been ironed out, Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs, said some general guidelines have been established.

"We are examining this very closely," Brown said. "For instance, we are looking at perhaps eliminating any spring classes that do not meet a specific enrollment."

The specific numbers have not been determined, but Brown said daytime classes falling below the average class size and night classes carrying rosters of less than 12 persons could be in jeopardy.

The position Southern will leave unfilled is the one created when Dr. Delores Honey, assistant to the vice president for academic affairs, replaced Dr. Betty Israel as assessment director. Honey will retain her institutional research duties, but Brown's office will assume responsibility of the honors and Oxford programs, mid-term registration, late registration, and the records of academic committees.

"It will be a bit of a burden," Brown said. "But if anyone's going to take a burden, it is better that it be me than faculty or the students."

"It just means I will have to work a little harder."

Where The Cuts Are Coming From:

Plan for covering latest
appropriations cut of
\$365,000 (3 percent)

Eliminate mid-term classes	\$20,000
Increase class size (eliminate 20 sections)	\$30,000
Reduce summer offerings	\$25,000
Eliminate off-campus classes	\$10,000
Keep open position unfilled	\$20,000
Reduce publication expenditures	\$20,000
Unanticipated revenues and contributions	\$40,000
Reserves, up to...	\$200,000
TOTAL	\$365,000

Brown said he anticipates that the vacant position will be filled during the next fiscal year.

Leon is confident the current financial crisis will not harm Southern's academic standards.

"If we remain calm and realize this is not a major crisis, we can continue to offer the same quality of education and programs," he said.

TIMBER



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Bob Kemp, physical plant employee, saws on a large tree limb which fell across the physical plant access road early yesterday.

Fallen limb slows traffic

Traffic between Newman Road and the parking lots around Matthews Hall was slowed yesterday morning as maintenance workers cleared a large tree branch from the road.

Bill Boyer, chief of campus security, said the limb fell in high wind about 1 a.m.

"Mike Johnson with the maintenance department arrived on the scene," Boyer said. "He and the security man cleared a path through the trees."

Limb had fallen off the same tree about four years ago, according to Johnson.

"This happens and will continue happen as long as you have trees,"

said Johnson, assistant director of the physical plant.

A decision was made four years ago to try to save the tree.

"We always try to save trees if we can, especially mature ones," Johnson said.

The responsibility for checking for dead limbs rests with three campus groundskeepers, Johnson said.

"The campus is divided into three geographic zones," he said. "Each groundskeeper takes care of trimming trees and watering lawns."

It is not possible to spot all the rotting limbs on campus, but according to Johnson, fall is when maintenance crews do most of the trimming.

Students say College needs tardy policy

Some instructors are late to class

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Ten minutes? Fifteen? Fifty? How long should students wait on a late instructor?

"I thought it was 10 for instructors and 20 for doctors," said Angie Mayberry, junior marketing major.

Other students had similar assumptions, the general consensus allowing 10 minutes for instructors and 15 for those with doctorates. College policy, however, does not dictate anything of the sort, according to Dr. Robert Brown, vice president for academic affairs.

"Our policy is that you (students)

are supposed to be there," he said. "When faculty members are not able to come to class, they make appropriate arrangements through department heads."

Dr. John Messick, biology department head, said instructors in his department would only be late in an emergency situation.

"In those cases, students should use good judgment. We would probably send another faculty member in," Messick said. "Our policy is not to be late. Period."

Apparently this is not always the case in some departments. In one of Mayberry's classes last year, students waited 10 minutes for their instructor before leaving.

"I definitely think that's fair," she said. "It's their job. We're supposed to be there on time—so should they. I can understand being a little bit

late, but there has to be a limit."

According to Brown, waiting 10 or 15 minutes is "an old-time rule some colleges used to have." Brad Henderson, junior political science major, transferred from a California college whose policy stated to wait 15 minutes before leaving.

"I had an instructor here who didn't show up for one-half hour," Henderson said. "Some students left after 15 minutes."

He said the instructor did come to class and gave an easy quiz to those who had waited and counted those who were not present absent.

"I don't think that's fair," Henderson said. "The instructor held grudges all throughout the semester, too. I've even heard of some going so far as to locking students out who tried to come back in."

"I think if they're going to be late,

someone should let you know. If not, 15 minutes is fair. A lot of teachers don't like for you to be late, so they should try to respect our time, too."

Henderson thinks there should be some type of policy for students to follow.

"One solution might be for the instructor to establish a policy the first day of class," he said. "It could be left up to their discretion but we should know up front how long we should wait."

While he believes instances of this type are isolated because of Southern's "quality instructors," Brown said students should "use common sense" if professors are late.

"If you sit there for a while and they don't show up," he said, "someone should go to the department head and find out what's going on."

Proposition B: 'The only game in town'

By T.R. HANRAHAN
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

[Editor's note: This is the fifth in a series of stories about Proposition B, leading up to the Nov. 5 election. Next week's story will focus on the fund-raising efforts of colleges and Missourians for Quality Education.]

Colleges and universities across Missouri are pursuing a campaign to inform students and faculty about Proposition B, and this week institutions began registering voters on campus.

Missouri Southern and Central Missouri State University kicked off their registration drives yesterday. According to Greg Roberts, assistant vice president for student affairs at CMSU, the campaign is in full swing.

"We have a jazz band, balloons, and booths set up in the center of the campus," Roberts said. "We want to include each of our student organizations, including fraternities, sororities, and the student government in the registration drive."

While Southern's efforts do not include bands and balloons, Dr. Glenn



Dolence, vice president for student services, said they're on schedule.

"We are getting a good response," he said yesterday. "There have been good lines most of the day."

Workers from the Jasper County clerk's office were on campus yesterday to register students and faculty. Some 150 persons signed up.

At Missouri Western, students and faculty alike are working to register the campus community.

"The student leaders have taken over the voter registration and shown a great deal of interest," said Steve Huff, administrative associate to the executive vice president. "Our student government and campus activities board have been a great help."

The University of Missouri-St. Louis will hold its drive next week, and according to officials there, voter registration is not something

new. "On Oct. 7-8, our social work club will be holding voter registration as in years past," said Kathleen Osborn, associate vice chancellor for university relations. "The difference will be that we will have tables in three locations on the campus rather than one."

In addition to the registration drives, Missouri institutions also are conducting informational campaigns designed to identify and educate frequent voters.

"One thing the schools and Missourians for Quality Education are doing is compiling frequent voter lists to identify those most likely to be at the polls," said Dr. Paul Ricker, director of Missourians for Higher Education.

Southern's Dr. Julio Leon and Dr. Ed Elliott of CMSU are among the college and university presidents who have written letters to staff and alumni informing them about Proposition B. The informational efforts do not stop there, however.

"We have instituted a speakers bureau and have spoken to more

than 40 so far," Huff said. "We will probably address another 50-60 between now and November."

While most institutions have sent speakers out into the public, Huff said Western has gone even further.

"We have a citizens committee consisting of business people and labor leaders helping to raise money," he said. "We are trying to raise our own funds to conduct our own media campaign."

While administrators are careful to note the efforts are purely informational and that state funds cannot be used for advocacy of the measure, Ricker says the bill is vital to Missouri higher education.

"Proposition B is the only game in town," he said. "This is the best opportunity we will have for a number of years."

"When you have a Democratic speaker [of the Missouri House], a Democratic president pro-tem of the Senate, and a Republican governor holding hands on an issue, it is something. That is a political combination that is hard to come by."

Three students, instructor hit by thieves

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Thieves made off with close to \$400 in cash and merchandise from Missouri Southern's campus Monday and Tuesday.

Bill Boyer, chief of campus security, said he has few leads in connection with a series of thefts that hit Taylor Hall and Young Gymnasium. "It caught us by surprise," Boyer said. "Usually they're spread out more than this."

Two of the thefts occurred Monday in Taylor Hall, when members of the Council for Exceptional Children left the building to get their workbook picture taken.

Two of the students in the group had their purses in the office of Dr. Michael Becker, associate professor of

education. The purses were rifled and about \$150 was taken.

"I'm very sure that whoever was in the hall heard her say [she was leaving her purse in the office]," Becker said. "When we returned, one of the girls said that her purse had been opened."

Boyer said the pocketbooks were recovered later in a Taylor Hall men's restroom, but the money had been removed.

The other incidents took place in Young Gymnasium.

On Monday, a student reported that his gym bag was taken from in front of one of the racquetball courts. The student estimated the value of the contents and the bag at about \$110.

Young Gymnasium was hit again on Tuesday when an instructor re-

ported her purse missing from under her desk. The bag contained credit cards, a checkbook, and about \$100.

Boyer said there was no sign of a connection between the cases.

"We haven't developed a pattern yet," he said. "All we can do is check out any leads that we get and see if they're tied together."

Finding the culprit(s) will be difficult even if leads were available, according to Boyer.

"They were just looking for money, and to heck with the rest of the wallets," he said. "Most people just want the cash because the [credit] cards are too easily [traced]."

Boyer said carelessness on the part of the victims played a role in the thefts.

"It just shows you can't trust anybody these days," he said.

SELLING REFORM



JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Missouri Gov. John Ashcroft makes a point about Proposition B at last weekend's Missouri Press Association convention. James Mathewson (D-Sedalia), president pro-tem of the Missouri Senate, is to his left.

College gets new doctor

By TROY COMEAU
STAFF WRITER

Working with students is what Dr. Richard Kenney likes most about his new job at Missouri Southern.

Kenney, who has taken over as the physician of Southern's health clinic, said the time he spends is worth it.

"I know college kids don't have a lot of resources, so this is a real nice thing to have for them," he said. "There are a lot of restrictions on what you can do in a small clinic, but it is well worth it."

Kenney's predecessor, Dr. Donald Patterson, stepped down because of the heavy workload involved.

Kenney comes from Des Moines, Iowa, and says he is ready to make a difference in the area.

"I am a new physician in Joplin, and I wanted to get a little more involved in the community, especially Southern because it is such a major factor in this community," he said. "This job also gives me a chance to meet some people and communicate with students one on one."

Working at the clinic, which sees

DOCTOR, DOCTOR



Dr. Richard Kenney, campus physician, treats Tiffany Jakse, senior biology major, for bronchitis during Monday night's health clinic. Kenney replaces Dr. Donald Patterson, who left Southern this summer.

20-25 students on a normal day, adds variety to Kenney's job.

"I really enjoy working with students," he said. "It's a change of pace for me because most of the people I see in my office are older patients, so it's a nice change to work with younger people."

"I really enjoy talking to the students. Unfortunately, things have been so hectic because of physicals

for sports that I haven't had a real chance to talk to too many."

Kenney, who has a wife and two children, has lately found little time to spend with family.

"I'm usually not home until 9:30 on some nights," he said. "But that's just part of the territory. You know, that's my job."

According to Irma Hartley, a staff nurse for the clinic, Kenney is a

"wonderful" doctor to work with.

"I am very impressed with Dr. Kenney," she said. "He is very thorough, and he seems to relate well with our students. Overall, I am very impressed with his work."

The clinic, which is free to all Southern students, is open 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Mondays and 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Thursdays in Kuhn Hall.

'Chart' wins again

Newspaper receives Regional Pacemaker Awards

Seventeen non-daily college newspapers, including *The Chart*, have received Regional Pacemaker Awards from the Associated Collegiate Press.

The Chart joins newspapers from the University of Miami, California State University-Chico, Western Kentucky University, Emory University, and Northern Arizona University as repeat winners from 1990. Western Kentucky's *College Heights Herald* and *The Chart* have received four consecutive Regional Pacemaker Awards.

Other 1991 recipients were the University of Missouri, St. Louis University, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, West Texas State University, Auburn University, the University of Southwest Louisiana, San Francisco State University, the University of Cincinnati, Carnegie Mellon University, and Northeastern University.

Susan Bischoff, assistant managing editor of *The Houston Chronicle*, selected the 17 winners from more than 100 entries. Newspapers submitted two issues from the 1990 fall semester and two from the 1991 spring semester.

"It was real tough deciding," said

Bischoff, who spent a month judging the entries. "One of the things that the resources were different from paper to paper. Some of the papers used color, others didn't."

"Sometimes it was like apples and oranges. I tried to judge on the intelligent use of space."

The 17 newspapers now are eligible for four or five National Pacemaker Awards, to be selected by the Associated Collegiate Press. The regional awards will be presented Nov. 2 at the Associated Collegiate Press/College Media Association convention in Denver.

"It's nice to win another Pacemaker, but this time we won the big one," said Angie Stearns, editor-in-chief. "With *The Chart* (1990-91 editor-in-chief) one of the finalists for College Journalism Year and our being inducted into the ACP Hall of Fame, it should be for a pretty good convention."

The Chart has qualified for the ACP Hall of Fame by receiving American ratings from the organization for 10 consecutive years. The Pepperdine University magazine and the Kansas State University yearbook also will be inducted into the Hall of Fame in Denver.

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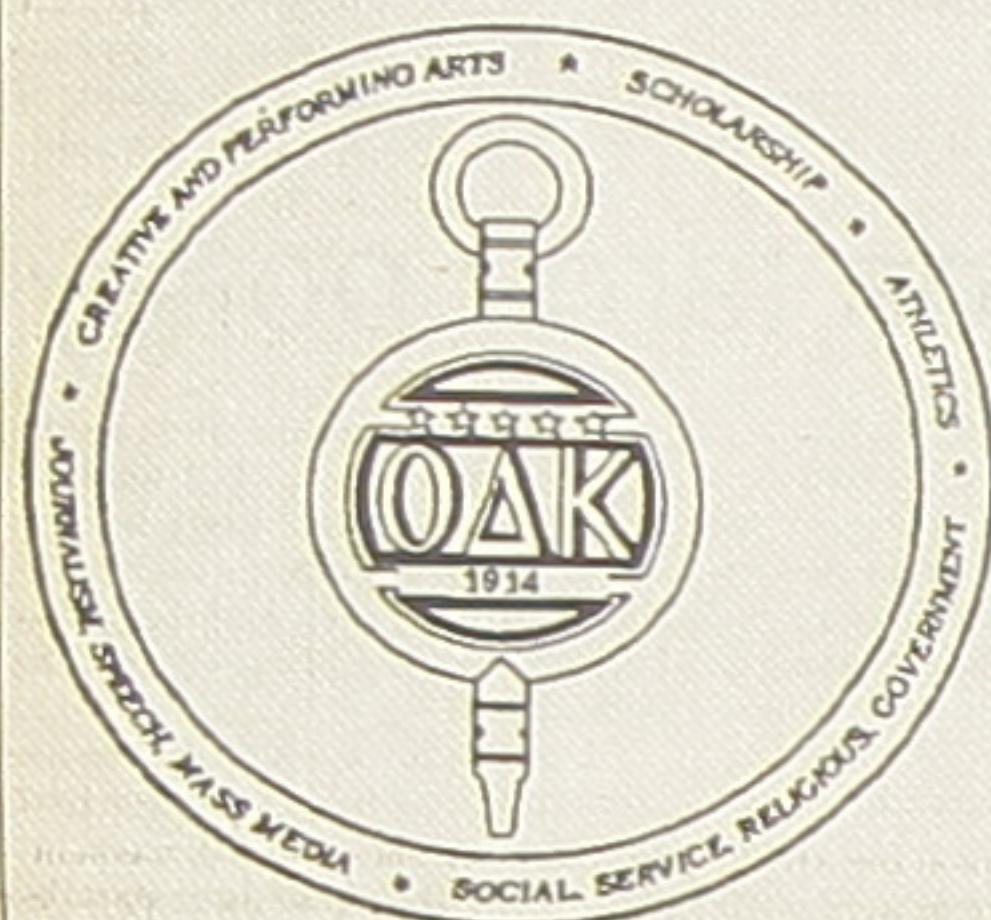
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COMING TO A THEATER NEAR CAMPUS ON SEPTEMBER

Southern, Oxford to work together

Internship program to benefit park

By KAYLEA HUTSON
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

What began as a joint project between two professors is now an internship program that may have an impact reaching across the Atlantic Ocean.

Julie Webber, an July graduate of Oxford University, arrives in Joplin today to begin a 10-week internship at Wilson's Creek National Battlefield. A reception will be held for her at 3:30 p.m. Monday in the Billingsly Student Center.

During her stay, Webber will work with 1979 Missouri Southern graduate Lisa Thomas to begin implementation of a three-year vegetational restoration program at Wilson's Creek.

"Lisa Thomas is implementing this three-year management program to restore the natural area of Wilson's Creek," Dr. James Jackson, professor of biology, said. "This is exactly what Julie Webber wants to do as a profession after graduate school. She will be assisting Lisa."

As part of the natural area management program, Webber will work to restore Wilson's Creek grasslands to Civil War-era conditions.

Webber's internship at Wilson's Creek is a result of Jackson's studies at Oxford last fall.

"It grew out of my sabbatical research," Jackson said, "because the research I did over there that was

assisted by Roger Hall really required some more follow-up research during this last year."

Jackson and Hall, a professor with the Oxford plant science department, devised an exchange of students between Southern and Oxford.

Over the summer, Roxy Johnston, senior biology major, worked with Hall to implement a grassland restoration and management program at Crickley Hill Country Park in Gloucestershire, England.

The program, developed by Jackson as part of his sabbatical research, looked at archaeological digging and its effects on the natural grassland.

"While I was there, I developed a technique for them to remove the turf from an area that was being investigated," Jackson said. "They could then store it so it's not damaged very much, and then put it back so it was as close as it was before."

Johnston spent the summer testing Jackson's research.

Jackson believes if Webber's internship goes well, it could expand future opportunities for exchanges between Oxford and Southern.

"Both Roger [Hall] and I decided that this would be a good opportunity to have an exchange of students," Jackson said, "for the experience and look at how natural areas are managed in both the United States and England."

ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL



Mike Craig, sophomore medical technology major, catches up on sleep Tuesday before his 2 p.m. class.

CHRIS COX/The Chart

Student directs videos in Kenya

Goats focus of agricultural rehab

By KIRBY FIELDS
STAFF WRITER

Goats in Kenya are impractical. They live in sickly states of existence and produce little milk. Katie Buntun Proctor and Good News Productions, International are trying to do something about it.

"What we're trying to do is breed the goats exotically so they will produce more milk," said Proctor, senior communications major and special productions coordinator for Good News. "They will also have more meat on them so the families can sell them for more money at the market."

She is producing instructional videotapes that will be shown to Swahili farmers. The videos show how to properly raise and care for the goats.

"We chose goats because Kenyans like animals," Proctor said. "Goats are easily available, and it's best to



Katie Proctor

try to improve something that is already there."

Proctor is working through Good News Productions, International, a Christian-oriented non-profit organization interested in aiding underprivileged nations. The organization grew out of the 14-year ministry of Ziden and Helen Nutt in Zimbabwe.

Ziden Nutt began making filmstrips, previously only understood by Westerners, available to African tribes and other nations. In 1976, requests for a larger circulation of the films began, and he moved to Joplin.

With the assistance of many individuals and congregations, Nutt began the Good News Productions, International ministry.

Although the Nutts are not well known in Joplin, Proctor says they are widely recognized in Christian circles.

In order to allow the videotapes to be shown in remote regions, a solar-powered audiovisual pack was designed. A solar panel on the backpack charges a 12-volt battery as workers walk from village to village. A projector and tape player, also equipped in the backpack, are then used to show the videos.

Although the organization has workers in more than 90 countries dealing with more than 100 different languages, Kenya was Proctor's first journey abroad.

"It (Kenya) is very diverse," she said. "As Americans we tend to picture Africa as a lot of huts in jungles. It's really a very beautiful country. It shakes you out of your perceptions."

She said it was difficult to be stationed in nice resorts and then pass little huts on the way to filming. A village called Maasai was the most striking, Proctor said.

"It was a village of circular huts that had no lighting. We couldn't communicate with them very well," she said. "Little kids ran around without clothes. They were amazed by our cameras."

Her crew received resistance only once. She was advised to stay away from the filming because women were discriminated against. A town official hassled the group, claiming it was out to exploit the African people. His accusations went no further.

This is Proctor's first year working at Good News. She was interested in missionary work and sought an internship there through Missouri Southern last summer.

Power in Hearnest lost again

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Power to Hearnest Hall was disrupted for several minutes Monday morning when an aging section of cable failed.

According to Mike Johnson, assistant director of the physical plant, electricity was disrupted at 9:30 a.m. because of a "ground fault" in a portion of the cable running from Newman Road to Hearnest Hall.

Johnson said a ground fault occurs when moisture gets in the cable's insulation.

"We didn't sustain any damage due to the actions of Gary Evans (mechanical maintenance supervisor)," Johnson said. "He got the switches turned off before anything was damaged. Last time [on Sept. 4] we sustained quite a bit of damage, but this time we escaped unscathed."

According to Gene McMeen, an industrial engineer with Empire District Electric Company, the section of cable involved was slated for replacement in the next two weeks.

"We will be consulting with [College] administration this week on last-minute details," McMeen said. "This should replace the last of the old cable in the system."

McMeen said the outage was limited to Hearnest Hall because of measures taken after the Sept. 4 disruption, which also affected the Spiva Library, Reynolds Hall, and the Billingsly Student Center.

"There are three (power) lines feeding into the campus, one from Newman Road to Hearnest Hall and two from Duquesne Road to Reynolds Hall," McMeen said. "After the last outage we put all the buildings except Hearnest Hall on the feed from Reynolds."

Amy Bass, Empire's director of public relations, said replacement of the cable had been discussed for three years but delays starting construction of the Webster Communications and Social Science Building also set back the replacement.

"We were hesitant to start digging before construction began," Bass said. "We try to work with customers to lessen the inconvenience."

McMeen said the new cable, when installed, should help the situation.

Senate has first meeting

This year's first Student Senate session began with more than \$11,000 in the treasury, and one club already has requested a piece of the funding.

World Issues for Study by Educators requested \$1,000 at last night's Senate picnic to fund a work-trip to Santa Fe, N.M., in November.

The Senate will decide whether to grant the request at next week's meeting.

Lory St. Clair, Senate treasurer, did not have exact balance figures or the new Senate term.

"It (the budget) will not be official until next week," St. Clair said. "Some money will carry over from

the summer session."

In other new business, the Senate discussed the Rotaract Club, a new organization forming on campus. The Senate will be voting on Rotaract's constitution in the near future.

The Senate also discussed the current student voting situation. During last week's general election of senators, only 442 full-time students voted.

Larry Seneker, sophomore senator, suggested amending the Senate constitution to allow part-time students to vote.

The Senate formed a committee, headed by Seneker, to look into the matter.

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Policy needed

Hurry up and wait. That maxim now may apply to more than life in the military and supermarket lines—it possibly describes a situation in Missouri Southern's classrooms. Instructors have long complained about students' disregard for punctuality and attendance. Now, it seems, the watch may be on the other wrist.

Recent student grumblings have raised the question of what to do when the person at the lectern is running behind.

Everyone arrives late once in a while, but students should not be forced to sit in a classroom for 50 minutes if the instructor is a no-show.

What is the College policy?

That remains unclear.

Southern's administrators say the students are "supposed to be there." Accepted, but the instructor should realize education is a two-way street.

Perhaps faculty who penalize students with impromptu quizzes and unexcused absences for their tardiness need a trip to the woodshed themselves. After all, instructors require students to be ready by class time; they should be as well.

The Faculty Senate, which often runs short of agenda items, and the Student Senate should address this and give us a policy to clear up the student confusion.

A good move?

The Board of Regents has temporarily succeeded in fending off the financial wolves at the College's door, but may have put itself into a tight fix in the process.

By approving the use of \$200,000 from Southern's reserves, regents have in effect borrowed from Peter to pay Paul and may yet play Robin Hood with the students come spring.

For all the talk about saving students the burden of a surcharge, the Board will more than likely administer another double-digit hit to student wallets when next year's fee schedule is announced.

Dr. Duane Eberhardt, faculty liaison to the Board, said it best when he told the regents "we have a lot of very bad choices." Since none of the options were "good," the regents took the least painful road, for now.

The problem down that road is one of precedent. A Southern administrator said this is a one-time thing, and the amount taken from the reserves will not effect its balance significantly.

But now the students will expect Southern and the regents to stick to their stance of reducing the students' financial load. How many times will the College be able to feed at this trough before the cash runs dangerously low?

Southern is one of the least expensive institutions in the state. Surely a surcharge would not have been devastating, and most students would have understood and expected to pay their fair share.

Passing up the chance for new revenues in favor of spending the reserves was a tough choice. Let's hope it was the right one.



Commuters unappreciative of campus life

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

With great anxiety, I moved into Webster Hall in August, full of horror stories about dormitory life and fears of a semi-permanent existence on my own.

To my surprise, life in the residence halls is not like the small sign in *The Chart's* darkroom which reads "Live like an animal in a cramped, filthy dormitory with communal toilets."

As a transfer from Wichita State University, a school with nearly two and a half times as many students and only a handful more on-campus residents, I have come to a conclusion.

Students who live on campus are generally more involved, making them a better part of the collegiate environment. I don't mean to say commuter students are not involved in activities, but it is much easier to be active when it



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is a matter of walking across campus than when you have to drive across town.

I commuted to school for two semesters, and I found it increasingly difficult to make myself drive all the way back to WSU to attend anything less than NCAA basketball. It was just too easy to justify not making the 35-minute drive back to campus.

Dorm residents have more pride in Southern. A majority of the people living on campus are here for more than just an education. Athletes and others who are on scholarship, whose efforts reflect upon the College, tend to be more enthusiastic about attending Missouri Southern.

Life in the residence halls is not bad, even with communal toilets. Oh sure, there are some bizarre smells coming from a few rooms, but that and some stupid rules meant to control us like third-graders aside, dorm life is all right.

Most of the people I have met in the residence halls seem to be friendly. This is, I am sure, a result of everyone being far from home and knowing almost

no one.

Even the food, with the exception of the last weeks, is survivable. I would estimate that nearly percent of the time the food is even recognizable, which is substantially better than I had expected. I have this personal rule about never eating anything that is not immediately identifiable, and I have had to defy it yet.

Dorm residents do not complain about parking, which seems to be the major gripe on campus. Living in the residence halls, I wear out a far greater amount of shoe leather than any commuting student does. Even if a commuter parked in the lot by Hag Stadium and walked to a class on the west side campus, he or she would barely walk farther than the average on-campus resident walks everyday for lunch.

Southern does not have a parking problem; it has a convenient parking problem. I truly believe that commuters expect to park less than 20 feet from the class.

After six weeks of classes, I am pleased I transferred to Southern. I am proud to tell my friends and family of the good experiences I am having here.

I only wish more commuter students on campus shared this attitude.

Teaching strategies need change for future

By DR. JAMES R. JACKSON
PROFESSOR OF BIOLOGY

It could be that we don't know who our students are. Although we say otherwise, our courses, advising techniques, and interactions with students suggest that they are single, male, recent high school graduates who are campus residents.

This is simply not the case. Every three years the average age of our students increases by one year. The average age is now 27. Most of the increase in enrollment the last 15 years is primarily due to female students.

During the 1950s, colleges and universities had to make dramatic changes to accommodate the new notion that higher education was not restricted to the privileged few but should be available to all qualified high school graduates. This revolution produced the huge state universities that dominated the 1960s and 70s.

In the 80s and 90s we find that higher education is the domain of mature students as well as recent graduates. This is making as dramatic a change in higher education today as was seen in the 60s. To adapt to this changing environment, we need to be aware of the attributes of the student of the 21st century and design teaching strategies and advising techniques sensitive to their strengths and weaknesses.

My perception of the strengths of modern students in comparison to the student of the 70s are as follows:



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- Greater heterogeneity in life experiences.
 - Greater endurance.
 - Greater awareness of the value of higher education.
 - Better ability to differentiate quality educational experiences from ones that are too easy, needlessly difficult, or poorly prepared.
 - Greater drive to succeed.
 - A greater willingness to sacrifice.
 - Do not really come to college to "party until they puke."
 - More mature.
 - Greater critical thinking skills.
- Their weaknesses are as follows:
- Lack of recent academic preparation.
 - Little identification with the college except the classroom experience.
 - Little interaction with fellow students.
 - More financial stress.
 - More family commitments (spouse, children, etc.).
 - Lack of an awareness of the professional community in their major field of study.
 - Lack of self confidence.
 - Too passive in classroom learning.
 - Very little spare time.

If this is a true perception of the student of the 21st century, there are teaching and advising strategies that can address the weaknesses using the strengths. Pretests can identify the range of academic preparation, and deficiencies can be addressed by additional

assignments, remedial courses, and curricular changes. The students' endurance will enable them to do what is necessary to meet the challenges of the course. Math 20 and 30 are good evidence of this.

Married commuter students have little identification with the college except the classroom experience. If that experience is non-interactive lectures, the ability to share ideas with fellow students is almost nonexistent. A "lecture only" format with little outside reading and writing perpetuates this academic isolation. A significant increase in reading and writing assignments coupled with a reduction in verbal memorization of lecture notes would shift the information gathering process outside the classroom. Classroom time could then become a forum for information synthesis and sharing while utilizing and expanding their critical thinking skills.

Our students' endurance, willingness to sacrifice, and awareness of the importance higher education would give them the drive to do this additional work if they avoid an overloaded class schedule. With preparation for class, coupled with the greater experiences of the mature student, active classroom learning could produce a much better student than lecture memorization ever could. If students are expected to present their work in class, work in research teams, and solve research problems together, academic isolation would decrease, self-confidence would increase, and greater learning would result.

Adult students should be treated as adults in the classroom. If they are told to do something, they should know why it is important. The benefit of education is in the doing.

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Professionalism needed from two campus areas

Forgive me if I seem rude, but it appears to me that the editorial addressing rudeness in the Sept. 12 edition of *The Chart* missed the mark slightly. What Ms. Hutson described as rudeness is, in my opinion, an ever-increasing lack of professionalism.

As a child I can well remember the days when one was made to feel valued as a customer. Business professionals went out of their way to make you feel as if you indeed were a "valuable link in the supply and demand chain." Perhaps customer service has been replaced by the fast-food mentality of business. Get the customer in, take their money, and send them on their way. I too have been treated poorly by employees of the ice cream store mentioned in the editorial. At the same time, however, I have been accommodated quite well during my trips to the campus library. Apparently I caught the infamous "specific person" on a good day. As a matter of fact, I have been treated rather professionally by most all the staff on campus, with the possibility of two exceptions. I was recently contacted (via the answering machine) by an individual representing KXMS in regards to possibly filling some air time. Since this is what I do professionally for another local station I thought it would be a nice opportunity to gain

some experience in a different format, as well as serve the College and community. I have, to date, made several return calls to the station and left several messages expressing this interest. I'm still waiting for a response. Secondly, as a communications major, I thought it would be nice to work with *The Chart* in order to gain some newspaper reporting experience. I have had editorials published in newspapers throughout the U.S., have written articles for various periodicals, and have authored numerous works of poetry, plays, and short stories. Writing is something I take very seriously. My first assignment for *The Chart* was to write a story on Southern's rugby team. Obviously a piece of Pulitzer was in the making. Well, the story was written, and ran in the Sept. 5 edition of *The Chart*. It was truly a remarkable piece of journalism. (OK, seriously folks). Eager to obtain my next assignment, I rushed to *The Chart* office and discovered a note, addressed to yours truly, tacked to the bulletin board. Knowing in my heart of hearts that it just had to be an invitation to address the International Association of Rugby Reporters, I snatched the note off of the board, turned it over, and read with earnest the following two sentences: "Compare your version to the one printed in the paper. Learn newspaper

style." Now, in and of itself, this is not a bad piece of advice. However, it did tend to have somewhat of a negative feel about it. What was most negative about it, though, was the fact that it was unsigned. Period. By anyone. This is extremely unprofessional. Especially coming from a department whose executive adviser preaches professionalism as one of the Ten Commandments. You know the one. It follows, "treat others the way you would like to be treated," or as Ms. Hutson so eloquently put it, "The Golden Rule."

Joseph Johnson

YOUR LETTERS

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Israel's deaf ear a barrier to peace

Arabs and Israelis: A history of conflict

Key to achieving peace in the Middle East after the Gulf war is settling the dispute between the Arabs and the Israelis. Its history, issues:

Arab position:

- Egypt, Syria and Jordan want Israel to return occupied lands
- Palestinians, many of whom live in Israeli-occupied lands, seek homeland

Israeli position:

- Wants all Arab nations to recognize its statehood, as Egypt has
- Politically divided: Likud (government party) opposes return of occupied lands; Labor Party advocates peaceful agreement with Arabs, Palestinians

History of conflict:

- 1947: United Nations divides Palestine into Jewish and Arab zones
- 1948: Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Jordan attack Israel; Israel gains territory
- 1956: Israel, Britain, France attack Egypt after Egypt nationalizes Suez Canal; U.N. settles dispute
- 1967: Six-Day War with Egypt, Jordan, Syria; Israel claims Sinai Peninsula, Gaza Strip, West Bank, Golan Heights
- 1973: Yom Kippur War; Egypt, Syria attack Israeli forces along Suez Canal
- 1979: Egypt, Israel sign peace treaty
- 1982: Israel completely withdraws from Sinai Peninsula
- 1988: Palestinian uprising ("intifada") begins in Israeli-occupied territories

Religious groups in Israel (excluding occupied territories)



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Pro-Israeli lobbyists in U.S. set for full-fledged battle

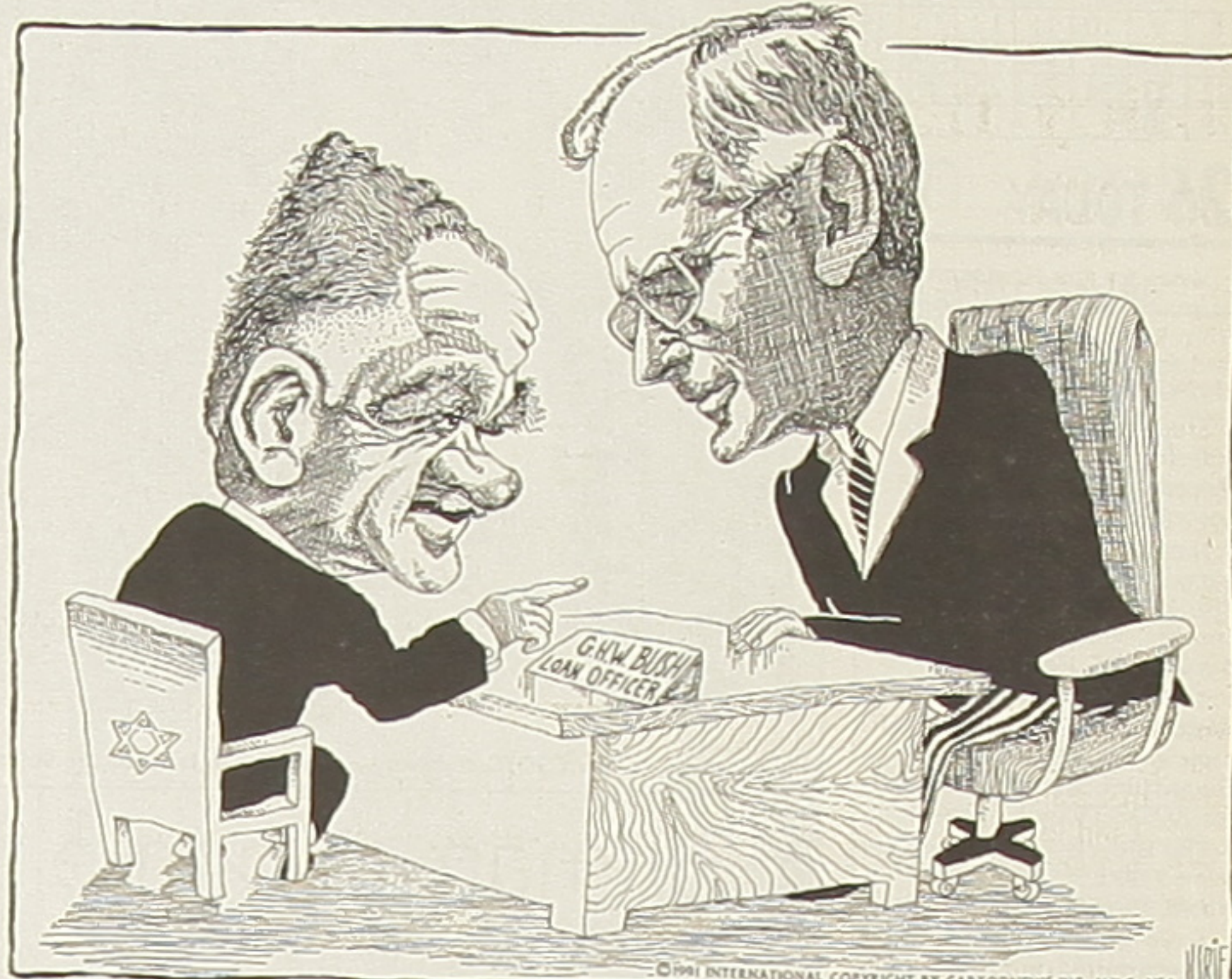
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No doubt about it: the Israeli and American governments are locked in battle.

War was declared on Sept. 6 when President George Bush asked Congress to delay for 120 days its debate on granting \$10 billion in loan guarantees to help Israel absorb hundreds of thousands of new immigrants from the Soviet Union. Israel's prime minister, Yitzhak Shamir, had earlier refused America's request to postpone applying for the guarantees until after the convening of a Middle East peace conference in the autumn. All this, say the Israelis, proves that the Bush administration is intent on linking economic aid with progress toward Arab-Israeli negotiations.

Shamir's Likud government splutters indignantly that the loan guarantees—which will enable Israel to raise cash from commercial banks—are a humanitarian matter that has nothing to do with peace talks. Further, since America did so much to encourage free emigration from the Soviet Union in its darker years, it is surely unthinkable that its generosity should end at the moment when it is most needed.

The Bush administration is notably less sentimental about Israel than were its recent predecessors, and these arguments do not wash. Shamir, who is determined not to make territorial concessions to Arabs he does not trust, has turned a resolutely deaf ear to American demands for a freeze on settlement building in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. The United States, and indeed most countries apart from Israel, see this activity as a barrier to peace. But every time James Baker, the



"Better change your attitude, or I'll take my overdraft elsewhere!"

American secretary of State, came to Israel after the Gulf War he was greeted by the creation of new settlements and the huge expansion of existing ones.

Baker is said to find it as difficult to deal with Shamir as he does with Hafez Assad, the sphinx of Damascus. Assad put Shamir on the spot this summer by telling the Americans that he would attend a peace conference. The Israeli government fears that Bush has made a secret

deal with Syria to press Israel to return the Golan Heights, occupied in the 1967 war. The Americans insist that this is not so, but there is no concealing Bush's mounting impatience with Israel and his growing sympathy with Arab arguments about its intransigence.

Shamir is in combative mood. In speeches and interviews on the eve of the Jewish New Year holiday on Sept. 9-10, he reiterated that the settlement of the occupied territories

would continue and demanded an end to linkage between the guarantees and the peace talks. Pro-Israeli lobbyists in America are set for a full-fledged battle to make the administration back down: they have been preparing for this for the past three months.

After the holiday, Shamir's aides were putting it about angrily that he would reject any compromise offer from America to provide interim help for immigrant absorption.

Student travels to Yugoslavia

Virgin Mary sightings spur recent journey

MEG FETHERS

MORE BIOLOGY MAJOR

Medugorje, Yugoslavia, is a rural town in the Republic of Croatia. I went to Medugorje in June to experience the reported sightings of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I have been going since 1981. According to reports, on June 24, 1981, a woman of apparent apparition identified herself as the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace. Two young girls pressed the apparition while playing on the mountain.



The children encountered the beautiful lady for 45 minutes. They stayed the next day with four girls, and this time the Blessed Virgin spoke to them. The apparition reportedly conveyed messages of love with God and all people. Since then, Mary has been making appearances to these newly reported visionaries for the past 10 years. Many pilgrims of all religions traveled to this town—some as a result, more than 10 million persons have converted to Christianity or returned to the church.

The miracle of the sun is when one is able to look directly into the sun without suffering any damage to the eye. I was walking away from the church when I saw my friends looking up into the sky. When I first

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had homemade wine from their vineyards that tasted like petroleum, and lamb cooked a different way every night. The "best" was when we returned from a tiring day to find a whole cooked fish for dinner with absolutely nothing removed from it. I stuck to bread and soup that night.

We spent our days in the peaceful town by going to hear the visionaries speak about Mary, her messages, and their descriptions of what she looks like. We also attended Mass.

We climbed the mountains that Mary appears on, also. The air is very clean there, due to the absence of industrialization in the area. It is beautiful with the vineyards, mountains, and flowering trees. The colors are very vibrant.

The town is filled with an immense feeling of peace. I experienced several miracles during my stay, such as rosary turning from silver to gold. I saw healings, and I saw the miracle of the sun. This phenomenon usually occurred after Mary had appeared to the visionaries privately in the church.

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"When I first looked, it appeared normal, then a white disc was visible in the center. The sun throbbed like a heart beat, the middle disc turning from white to black and sometimes splitting into several spinning balls, then back into one."

—Meg Fethers, sophomore biology major

looked, it appeared normal, then a white disc was visible in the center. The aura around it was pink. The sun throbbed like a heart beat, the middle disc turning from white to black and sometimes splitting into several spinning balls, then back into one.

This was one of the visible miracles that took place, but the true miracle is the one that took place inside of me, as it did in everyone present and all those who have been there. That is to live Mary's messages and become closer with God.

I truly believe Mary appears there. Many children of our groups from the United States and other coun-

tries claim they saw the Blessed Virgin on the mountain when she was appearing to Ivan, one of the visionaries.

On June 25, the 10-year anniversary of Mary's first appearance, there were 300 to 400 priests on the altar during the Mass at St. James Church. That night, some 50,000 people were on the mountain during the apparition. There were about 100,000 present in Medugorje for the anniversary.

Life magazine did a cover story on the occurrences of Medugorje in its July 1991 issue in celebration of the anniversary. These reports have not been approved by the Catholic church because of conflicting beliefs.

We also traveled to Mostar for a day of sight-seeing. This turned out to be a day of some sort of Turkish feast, and the natives were skinning their goats for a dinner celebration.

We toured an ancient Turkish mosque and an old Turkish home. We also spent one day in Dubrovnik, the historic walled city. This was the day after Croatia had seceded from Yugoslavia.

We had no knowledge that a civil war had begun and were wandering around this fairly empty city. Fighter jets flew over us, and we dismissed them as nothing important. Within the walls were many homes, museums, stores, restaurants, and cathedrals. We returned home that evening and flew out of Mostar early the next day.

We landed in Belgrade, where we

had another long layover. This time, we found it was because of the civil war. They put a United Nations seal on our aircraft to ensure safety out of the country. Only when we reached O'Hare in Chicago did we know how dangerous the situation had become in Yugoslavia.

This vacation was a wonderful experience for me as I learned much by living with the people, eating their food, hesitantly speaking some of Croatian, climbing the mountains, and growing in my faith. I would love to go back there. When I left I felt I was leaving home; that is how much the peaceful Medugorje has affected me.



"Seems they're determined to make us the majority in South Africa, after all."

Massacre rekindles suspicions

Killings threaten South African peace accord

THE ECONOMIST ▶

The massacre by unknown gunmen on Sept. 8 of Inkatha Freedom Party loyalists has rekindled suspicions that a sinister "third force" is deliberately fomenting enmity among black South Africans. The reaction has black leaders, political, and clerical, has been unanimous: they have all reaffirmed their commitment to a peace accord brokered by prominent churchmen and leading businessmen.

The ambush, carried out in the township of Thokoza by three men armed with AK-47 rifles, came less than a week before a national peace accord, elaborated over 32 pages, was due to be signed. The use of AK-47 rifles suggested, or was intended to suggest, an African National Congress connection. The ANC's arms are communist-made.

The attack left 23 people dead, intensified the mistrust that already existed between Inkatha's supporters and the ANC's, and set off further violence in neighboring townships, including Soweto. Within three days the death toll stood at more than 90. The victims included six Inkatha men killed when unknown assailants lobbed hand grenades into their ranks as they made their way back from a rally in Soweto.

But, with minor exceptions, black leaders have refrained from blaming one another. Arguing that the attack

was designed to wreck the peace accord, they have proclaimed their determination to sign the agreement as planned, and thus to thwart the aims of the "enemies of peace." The Thokoza massacre was compelling reason to sign the pact, Inkatha's national chairman, Frank Mdlalose, said, endorsing a similar statement by ANC President Nelson Mandela.

However admirable these sentiments, no one can be confident that the accord will reduce the endemic violence of the townships. The record of previous peace agreements is mixed. The one signed with high hopes between Inkatha and the ANC in January came to naught, underlining the impotence of political leaders to stop the carnage.

Still, there may be cause for some tentative optimism. It lies in the present groundswell in favor of peace. Two peace conferences, one called by President F.W. de Klerk in May and one called by church leaders in June, have helped to create a less antagonistic atmosphere. The ANC boycotted the first conference, claiming that de Klerk's government and its security forces were part of the problem and thus disqualified it from being a neutral convener. But the ANC attended the second, as did representatives of all South Africa's main political groups, with the exception of the Conservative Party and its allies on the far right. This second conference committed all participants to work for

peace as a "supreme priority."

Figures gathered by the Institute of Race Relations suggest that this may have had some value. The average daily death toll dropped from more than 10 a day for the three months March to May, to fewer than five a day for the three months June to August. September, however, has started badly.

Optimists—Mandela numbers himself among them—point out that the peace accord signed on Sept. 14 is a far-reaching one, containing codes of conduct for political parties and the security forces (with many more pages devoted to the police than to the political parties), as well as mechanisms to monitor compliance by the signatories. And the government's promise to underpin the accord both legally and financially is a hopeful sign: the government's involvement in this plan distinguishes it from earlier bilateral pacts.

The accord provides for the setting up of a special commission, chaired by a judge or senior lawyer who will be assisted by four legally qualified people. The commission will be empowered to investigate political violence. A peace secretariat will set up regional and local "dispute resolution" committees. And a national committee, whose members will include representatives of the signatories, as well as churchmen and businessmen, will settle disputes over the code of conduct for political parties.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

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26 TODAY

Votes for the Homecoming primary election will be taken from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. today and tomorrow in the east stairwell of the BSC.

Students may register to vote from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside the cafeteria on the second floor of the BSC.

Nancy Disharoon will hold a career planning seminar, "Building Your Professional Image," from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in BSC Room 314.

The monthly program for Alpha Epsilon Rho begins at 1 p.m. in the MSTV studio. Doug Hunt, technical director for KODE-TV, will speak.

The Bicycle Club will gather from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

Jerry Burch, a former state representative, will speak at a Young Democrats meeting at 7 p.m. in BSC Room 306.

27 TOMORROW

Entries must be turned in by 4:30 p.m. in Room 102 of the BSC for those entering the Homecoming talent show.

Missouri Southern will host a volleyball invitational today and tomorrow in Young Gymnasium. The Lady Lions play at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

28 SATURDAY

The Lady Lions' tennis team will play Oral Roberts University here at 11 a.m.

The soccer Lions will host Colorado Christian University at 2 p.m.

The football Lions face Missouri Western State College in St. Joseph at 7 p.m.

29 SUNDAY

The Hammons Enhancement Scholarship Program will introduce mentors to students at a "round-up" from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Biology Pond.

Kappa Alpha will hold a meeting from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

Lambda Beta Phi will meet from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Room 306 of the BSC.

30 MONDAY

An American Red Cross bloodmobile will be here from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the BSC Keystone Room.

A CAB movie, "Gross Anatomy," will be shown at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. today and tomorrow in the second-floor lounge of the BSC.

1 TUESDAY

The Baptist Student Union will have lunch from 11 a.m. to noon in BSC Room 311.

There will be a Newman Club meeting from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in BSC Room 306.

Nancy Disharoon will conduct a career planning seminar, "Minding Your Manners," from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 314 of the BSC.

The College Republicans will meet from 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 311 of the BSC.

2 WEDNESDAY

Homecoming final elections are from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the east stairwell of the BSC.

The Campus Activities Board will gather from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 310 of the BSC.

The Student Senate will meet at 5:30 p.m. in Room 310 of the BSC.

STANDING AT ATTENTION



Missouri Southern's ROTC company assembles in front of the Police Academy last Thursday afternoon to witness Sgt. Carl Brown receive an Army commendation medal.

'Whitman' to come to campus

Interpreter to read poetry next week

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

Performer Bruce Noll plans to bring a piece of Walt Whitman's literary spirit to Missouri Southern next week.

Noll will bring "Pure Grass," his dramatic presentation of Walt Whitman's works, to campus Thursday, Oct. 3.

Noll said he created the program because of his love for Whitman's work and his belief that Whitman's poetry still could be appreciated by people today.

"Whitman's *Leaves* sing out their melodies as pure today as they did 100 years ago, perhaps even more, because they contain truths and insight for people in all times," Noll said. "Although societies and governments and lifestyles may change, what people on earth are truly concerned about tie them from one generation to another."

"Whitman perceived this and that is, in part, why his poems are so magically alive for us today."

In the presentation, Noll dresses as

Whitman and puts Whitman's poetry into dramatic form. The program will be held at 7 p.m. in Taylor Auditorium.

Dr. Doris Walters, associate professor of English, said Noll likes to be in touch with the audience.

"He will be performing Whitman's poetry as Whitman," Walters said. "I think that is another interesting aspect of it—it's not just someone reading."

"He says he likes to go around and make contact with the audience as if he was Whitman walking in a crowd."

"Pure Grass" will incorporate many of Whitman's themes: nature, love, death, equality of the sexes, and similarities of human experiences.

The program is sponsored by the English department and Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society. The group paid \$200 to bring the program to Southern, though it normally costs \$300.

"He was in the area," Walters said. "Otherwise, it would have cost more."

The groups decided to bring the act to campus because of their own goals.

"One of our purposes is to get people to appreciate great literature,"

Walters said. "So it seemed appropriate to have him here."

Walters believes this program is beneficial in making poetry accessible to the public.

"All poetry is meant to be presented orally," she said. "It's best when someone hears it rather than when someone reads it."

Walters also said Whitman is a prime choice for such a program because his works still pertain to people today and it is easier to understand than most poetry.

"He (Whitman) wanted it to be a more public type of poetry," Walters said. "With the free verse form, it is poetry that is more accessible. I think his style influenced American poetry."

"He is truly an American poet. His poetry often concerns what we (Americans) are as a people."

Noll first performed "Pure Grass" in 1970 and has continued to perform the piece off and on since then. Noll's program, which has been presented across the nation, is sponsored by the South Dakota Arts Council through its Touring Program.

At the end of the program, Noll usually is available to discuss Whitman's life and work.

Young Democrats gains 37 members

By JENNIFER SEXTON
STAFF WRITER

After reorganizing last spring with only 10 members, Missouri Southern's Young Democrats now has 47.

"Our first meeting was a campus-wide pizza party," said Alecia Ward, club treasurer. "That is where we got the most members."

The purpose of the Young Democrats is to help students better comprehend the political world. Other club officers are Deanna Hines, president; Jerry Lundy, vice president; John Getchell, club representative; and Dr. Robert Markman, faculty adviser.

"Young Democrats is an effort to increase political awareness," Ward said. "We're striving to work with Young Republicans and other organizations to make students aware that things that may seem intangible now will affect them in the future."

The club also presents the opportunity to become involved in the political process, according to Ward.

"It is a really good hands-on experience in terms of political awareness and participation," she said, "and a really good opportunity to find out exactly how things get done."

Some of the group's members have been attending state and national conventions. Hines and Ward attended a state convention in St. Joseph and were elected statewide officers. Hines was voted sergeant of arms, and Ward

was selected vice president.

Members also attended a national convention in St. Louis. Delegates across the country, including Alaska and Hawaii, Sen. Tom Harkin (D-Iowa) presidential candidate, and others.

Activities on campus also planned. Today, Jerry Burch, byist and former state representative, will speak about Proposition B at 7 p.m. in Room 311 of the Billingsly Student Center. Anyone interested may attend.

"We also hope to work Dr. [John] Tiede and Dr. [John] Dolence," Ward said, "on Proposition B and getting students interested to vote in October."

"In this amount of time, we really found out how apathetic 18- to 25-year-olds are when it comes to voting."

On Friday, Oct. 11, the Young Democrats will sponsor a booth from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the BSC. At least four faculty members will be on hand to answer questions about the social science department.

In October, Ward and Hines will travel to Oklahoma to attend a regional convention to discuss major issues in the Democratic Party. Other states to be represented include Texas, Arizona, Oklahoma, and Kansas.

"The Young Democrats is a good thing," Chris Sanders, member, said. "It allows students to get involved on campus and participate with their peers."

Organizations get 'leg up'

Meeting to provide assistance to club advisers, students

By LYLA DOVER
STAFF WRITER

Student clubs and organizations will have a chance to get a leg up in their efforts this year.

A student organizational leadership meeting will be held from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 3 in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center. The meeting is geared toward advisers and student officers of campus organizations.

"The intent is to assist the organizations in any way we can," Doug Carnahan, director of student life, said.

The meeting is an opportunity for club officers to ask questions concerning policy. Carnahan said the meetings, which started four years ago, have produced positive feedback.

Speakers include Carnahan; Val Carlisle, coordinator of student activities; Dr. Earle Doman, director of counseling; and Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services.

According to Carnahan, there have been difficulties finding faculty to serve as advisers for some campus organizations because they believe they will be totally responsible for

the club. He plans to emphasize the role of advisers and the liabilities they face.

Carlisle will cover how organizations may utilize College funds and facilities, particularly the Billingsly Student Center. She said the meeting can be helpful by informing organizations of opportunities open to them.

"[The meeting] serves a valuable purpose," Carlisle said. "Most club presidents don't know what's available."

The growing number of organizations makes the meeting even more important. The number of clubs has increased from 58 last year to 72 this year, if all clubs turn in the proper forms by tomorrow. Carlisle believes the increase of organizations will necessitate a longer meeting, possibly evolving into a workshop or retreat.

Doman will speak on how to motivate the student body.

"One of the biggest challenges all student officers have is to get members motivated," he said.

Doman said an important part of the motivational process is to recognize that people join clubs to fill an individual need. He plans to show

club leaders how to concentrate on meeting both individual and group needs by covering "what makes members tick and how to prompt them to action."

The primary purpose of Dolence's talk will be to get students registered to vote. Missouri Southern has 6,000 students, of which more than 50 percent are registered. Dolence believes with the help of the clubs, 75 percent will become registered.

The push for registration stems from the upcoming election on Proposition B.

"We are asking club officers to ask their members to be or get registered before Oct. 16," Dolence said. "Not a student anywhere in elementary, secondary, or college [level] won't be impacted."

Memos and posters are being sent out, and the Jasper County clerk's office will be on campus today from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the cafeteria in an effort to get students registered.

Deputies of the county clerk's office of Barton, Newman, and Lawrence counties will be on campus to register voters from those areas prior to Oct. 16. Anyone 18 years of age before Nov. 5 is eligible to register.

One of the first points Disharoon made was that the resume itself is not a job getter. "A resume will almost never get you a job," she said. "Hopefully, it will get you an interview."

According to Disharoon, a resume need not tell every detail of a person's life. She suggests a person know three facts before actually writing a resume. First, who their "target" is, meaning whom they want to obtain a job from.

After finding a target, Disharoon says the next step is to find out what is important to the target. Finally, a person should find what his or her best selling point would be to the

Business leaders to gain quality control vantage

A teleconference and trade show designed to help area business leaders learn more about quality control will be held in conjunction with quality control month.

The conference will begin at 8 a.m. Tuesday in Matthews Hall auditorium.

According to Terry Marion, coordinator for the total quality resource center, total quality management is a concept that businesses implement in order to improve business.

The conference is co-sponsored by Missouri Southern and the American Society for Quality Control.

Marion said ASQC is the "largest quality control professional organization in the country."

Participants will be able to attend a teleconference during the morning session which will be chaired by Marion and CEO of IBM, also is the chairman of quality month—October.

During a luncheon, participants will be addressed by Jack president of Flex-O-Lator, Inc. Flex-O-Lator is a recipient of Ford Motor Company quality control award.

Marion said Crusa will discuss systems Flex-O-Lator installed in order to improve product and decrease its costs.

target. From this, people should plan a resume to fit the three pieces of information. Whatever is done with a resume, Disharoon said a person should never resort to cheap tactics like colored paper.

"Don't try to use gimmicks to sell your resume," she said. "It's a red flag to an employer."

What Disharoon said a person should do is use quality paper, preferably a 25-percent rag-content paper which is white, off-white, or pale gray in color. The only reason to use any other color is if the person is trying to get a job which requires creativity.

Concerning the resume's content,

Disharoon said putting the pertinent information at the top of the resume is crucial.

Disharoon also said people should not put negative information in their resume.

"If it's not going to be a benefit to leave it off," she said. "You never see anything negative in a resume."

No matter what a person includes in his or her resume, Disharoon says it should be a letter-perfect.

"You're cutting your own throat if your resume is not perfect," Disharoon said. "Employers assume things are little worse than the resume."

Resumes target employers

By P.J. GRAHAM
CAMPUS EDITOR

First impressions on paper can make or break a person's chances for getting a job as much as an actual meeting, according to Nancy Disharoon.

Disharoon, director of career planning and placement, conducted a seminar, "Tools of the Job Search," on Sept. 19 that focused on preparing a resume. She used advertisements as a comparison to resumes.

"This is a printed advertisement for an employment candidate," Disharoon said. "You are the product here; your resume is your ad."

UPCOMING EVENTS
CALENDAR

MO. SOUTHERN

Ariel: Russian pianist returns to Southern; 7:30 p.m. today; Taylor Auditorium; general admission: \$2
Smith Kramer Exhibition: periods of art depicted in more than 60 small paintings encompass 1840-1960; through Oct. 6; Spiva Art Center
"The Captain From Copenhagen": presented by the Missouri Southern Film Society; 7:30 p.m. Oct. 8; BSC

JOPLIN

Benefit concert featuring even area bands: noon to midnight Sunday; Doc Holiday's Outback, 2803 Range line; tickets: \$5 in advance, \$5 at the gate
Second Annual Country Music Extravaganza: with Robin Lee, Joe Diffie, Michael Johnson, and Diamond Rio; 7 p.m. Oct. 13; Memorial Hall
Mickey Mantle Charity Golf Classic: Oct. 4-6; Loma Linda Country Club and Estates

SPRINGFIELD

"The Dreamer": weekends, tomorrow through Oct. 28; Mained Glass Theatre
"Pucini: Madame Butterfly": Springfield Regional Opera; Oct. 4-7; 55-8731
"To Kill a Mockingbird": Oct. 17-27; Springfield Little Theatre; 869-1334

TULSA

"Rodeo": Oct. 4-6; Tulsa Ballet; 918-585-2573

KANSAS CITY

Rod Stewart Vagabond Heart Tour 1991: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26; Kemper Arena; 816-931-3330
"Susannah": 7:30 p.m. Oct. 8; Lyric Opera of Kansas City, Lyric Theatre; 471-7344
Sandi Patli in concert: 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, Oct. 17; Kemper Arena; tickets: \$14; all seats reserved; 816-373-4637
Kenny Rogers: 7 p.m. Oct. 1; Kemper Arena; 816-931-3330
1991 World Series of Comedy: Oct. 3-5; Comedy Court; 842-2744
The Los Angeles Piano Quartet: 8 p.m.; Oct. 4; Folly Theatre; 561-9999
Philharmonia of Greater Kansas City: 7:30 p.m.; Oct. 3; Park College Chapel; 87-2920
"The Lisbon Traviata": Oct. 12; Unicorn Theatre; 531-7529
Duke Ellington Orchestra: 8th Mercer Ellington; Oct. 1; Folly Theatre; 474-4444
"The Pecos Bill Show": Oct. 20; Theatre for Young America; 648-4600
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Southern grad fulfills dream

Kelly does comedy show on MTV

By LORI CLEVENGER
STAFF WRITER

A December 1982 graduate of Missouri Southern has hit it big, but not in the field she pursued in college.

Everyone has a secret dream, and for Marian Kelly it came true with a little experimentation here and there. After receiving a bachelor's degree in business administration, Kelly moved to Springfield to take a job in public relations. While there, she heard about "open mike night" at a local comedy club and decided to try it.

"I had always wanted to do it," she said. "I got a couple laughs, and it kind of made me want to come back."

Six months later Kelly moved to Kansas City to take another job. There she performed in two comedy clubs on the side twice a week.

"This is where I got the ball rolling," Kelly said.

Her style of comedy mainly consists of storytelling.

"Whatever happened in my day that I thought was funny, I'll tell you about," said Kelly, 33. "I talk a lot about my family, life in general, working, and being single."

Kelly's style also is to use decency. "I try to keep it clean enough so, for example, I could do it on television," she said.

As a result, Kelly has been invited to perform at some 30 colleges nationwide. And after only three years in the comedy business, she has had national exposure. In May, Kelly was invited to do a comedy show on MTV. She said the show has aired at least six times.

Kelly is from Seneca, but seldom sees home.

"I try to average three weeks out of four on the road, but I don't always manage to get a week off," she said.

Kelly has become so used to the big cities now that her ultimate goal is to settle in Los Angeles.

"I would like to save enough money to move there, get some work as a comic, get some acting lessons, and audition for television commercials," she said. "I want to work a lot without having to travel. My goal is to be able to stay in one place."

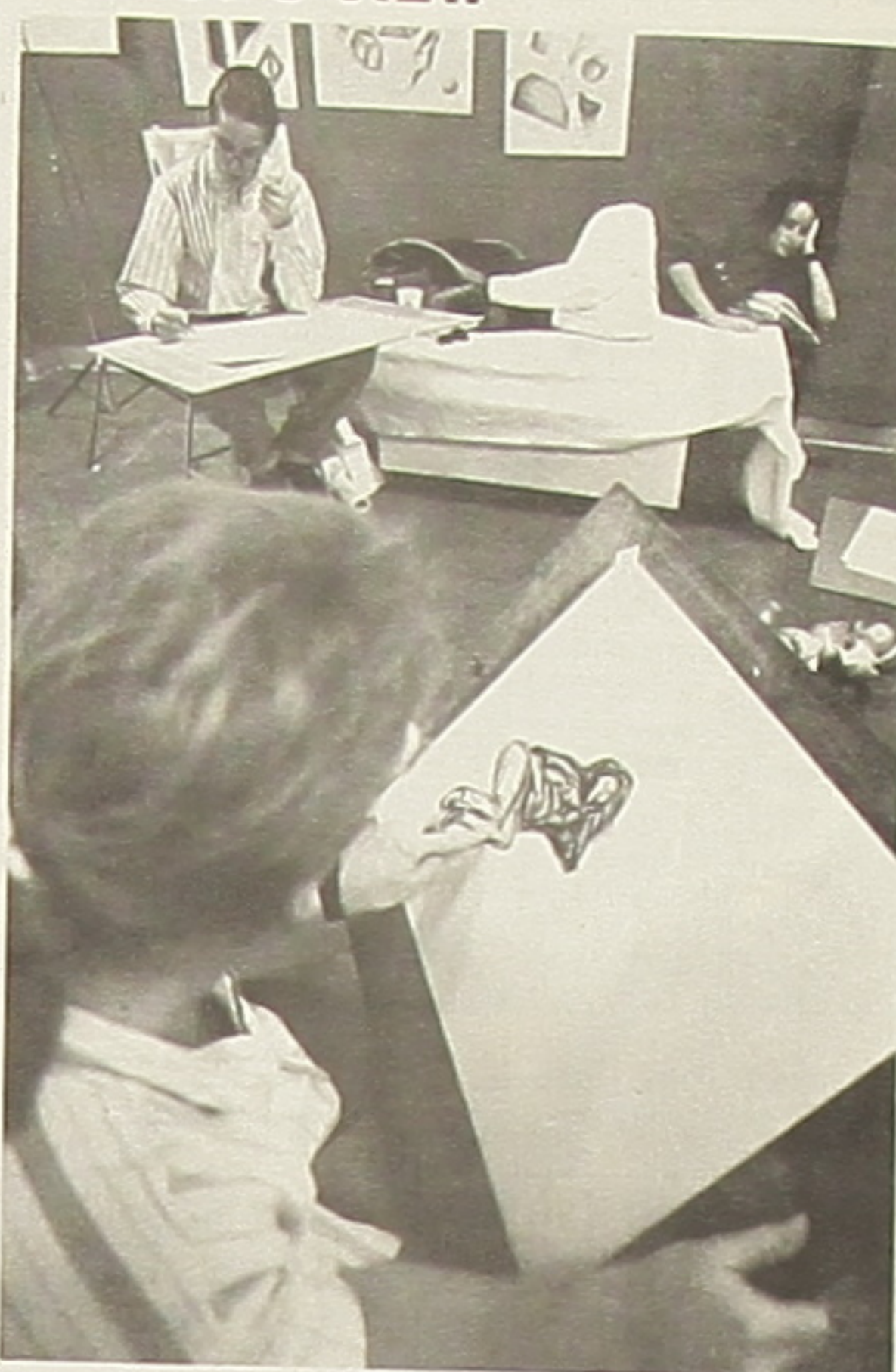
Even though Kelly is living out her comedy dream, she says traveling can wear on a person.

"Touring comedy clubs is a pretty brutal way to live because you're constantly traveling and constantly adjusting to a different bed to sleep in."

As for her long-term goals, Kelly throws in a bit of humor.

"My ultimate goal is to be filthy rich, independently wealthy, and never have to work another day in my life."

ARTIST'S VIEW



CHRIS COX/The Chart

Charlie Giltner, sophomore computer aided drafting and design major, sketches Denise Umfleet, sophomore computer information science major, Monday as part of a Beginning Drawing assignment. Students were to concentrate on shapes of human figures.

Canadian quartet to play in Joplin

By CRISTY SPENCER
STAFF WRITER

An internationally known performing group, the Lafayette Quartet, soon will make a touring stop at Missouri Southern.

The string quartet is scheduled to perform as part of the St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Joplin. Cynthia Schwab, through ProMusica, has arranged for a lecture and demonstration from the group on campus the afternoon before the concert.

The Lafayette Quartet is a four-member female group from the University of Victoria School of Music in Victoria, Canada. In addition to traveling around North America, the quartet also has toured Germany, Italy, Switzerland, and the Netherlands.

A demonstration is scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday in Room 208 of the music complex. Performing works of Beethoven, Benjamin Britten, and Tchaikovsky, the quartet will perform at 7:30 that evening at St. Philip's, 702 Byers in Joplin. Both events are free and open to the public.

Death focus kills Southern Theatre's season opener

Direction, performances good in spite of morbid script

By ANGIE STEVENSON
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

For the most part, Southern Theatre did what it could with what it had.

Its season opener, *The Shadow Box*, showcased some unexpected student talent, both in performance and on the technical end. Its first mistake, however, was a crucial one—the group simply chose the wrong play.

Michael Cristofer's *The Shadow Box* aimed to inspire the audience, perhaps. It wanted us to think about death. The play revolves around three characters, all of whom are terminally ill. Housed in three cottages on the wooded grounds of a California hospital, the patients,

along with friends and family, try to cope with their imminent fate.

The drama does have its merits; someone even saw fit to give it an award. Some of the stories had potential: a few of the encounters between characters were touching, others light-hearted, even funny. Cristofer should have left it at that, but instead opted to proclaim his monotonous message—the morbidity of death. We left Taylor Auditorium as a quiet, contemplative (or more likely just depressed) group. Was it a funeral or a play?

Several other plays, *Steel Magnolias* for instance, have addressed the subject and managed to show that life does go on after the loss of a loved one. This play, with all of its deep drama and theatrical attempts, failed in its message and failed to entertain.

Many audience members seemed

somewhat shocked at the use of profanity running rampant throughout the play, which was definitely "R" rated. But this is college theatre, not high school.

Much more impressive than the play itself were the performances of Southern students, under the direction of Kevin Babbitt, junior speech and theatre education major.

Undeniably, the best performance was given by Chuck McLaughe, junior theatre major, in his role as the dying Joe. McLaughe's sincerity was moving. He made the most of Cristofer's words: he came the closest in giving us any insight to dying.

Senior theatre education major Cindy Henry's portrayal of Joe's wife was somewhat exaggerated. What should have been nervous denial came across as blatant hysteria. In certain scenes with McLaughe, however, she was quite effective as was

Lawrence Alford playing Joe's son Steve. Alford added a few rays of light to the dark mood of the play. His performance was much appreciated. Cristofer would have done well to include more of this character.

As the second main focus of the play, James Carter, senior theatre major, gave an outstanding performance. His character, Brian, was an interesting, unique individual, and Carter conveyed this well.

Adding to Carter's role was sophomore theatre major Heather Haar's portrayal of Beverly, Brian's former wife. Haar was wonderfully silly and at times raunchy as the drunken gypsy. Her full, robust laughter gave us much needed relief; we found ourselves only too willing to laugh.

In serious moments, too, Haar proved effective, except perhaps when coupled with Pat Worley, sophomore theatre major. As Brian's gay lover, Worley was a bit overwrought. His angry character might have been the most difficult to play, however.

Worley was much better at expressing softer emotions than he was disgust and contempt.

In the final cabin, Georgina Small, senior theatre major, was quite believable as the cantankerous Felicity. She met the challenge of playing a character more than three times her own age very well. Scenes between her and Susan O'Brien, junior speech and drama education major, were well done in spite of the script's monotony and predictability.

All technical aspects of the play were handled well. The lighting by Jennifer Carroll, junior speech and drama education major, and the set design were crucial elements in this play. Effective lighting made it possible for three stories in three cabins to take place simultaneously.

All in all, it was a good first effort for Southern Theatre. But let's hope that the next production, *Black Comedy* on Oct. 23-26, will offset the melancholy nature of *The Shadow Box*.

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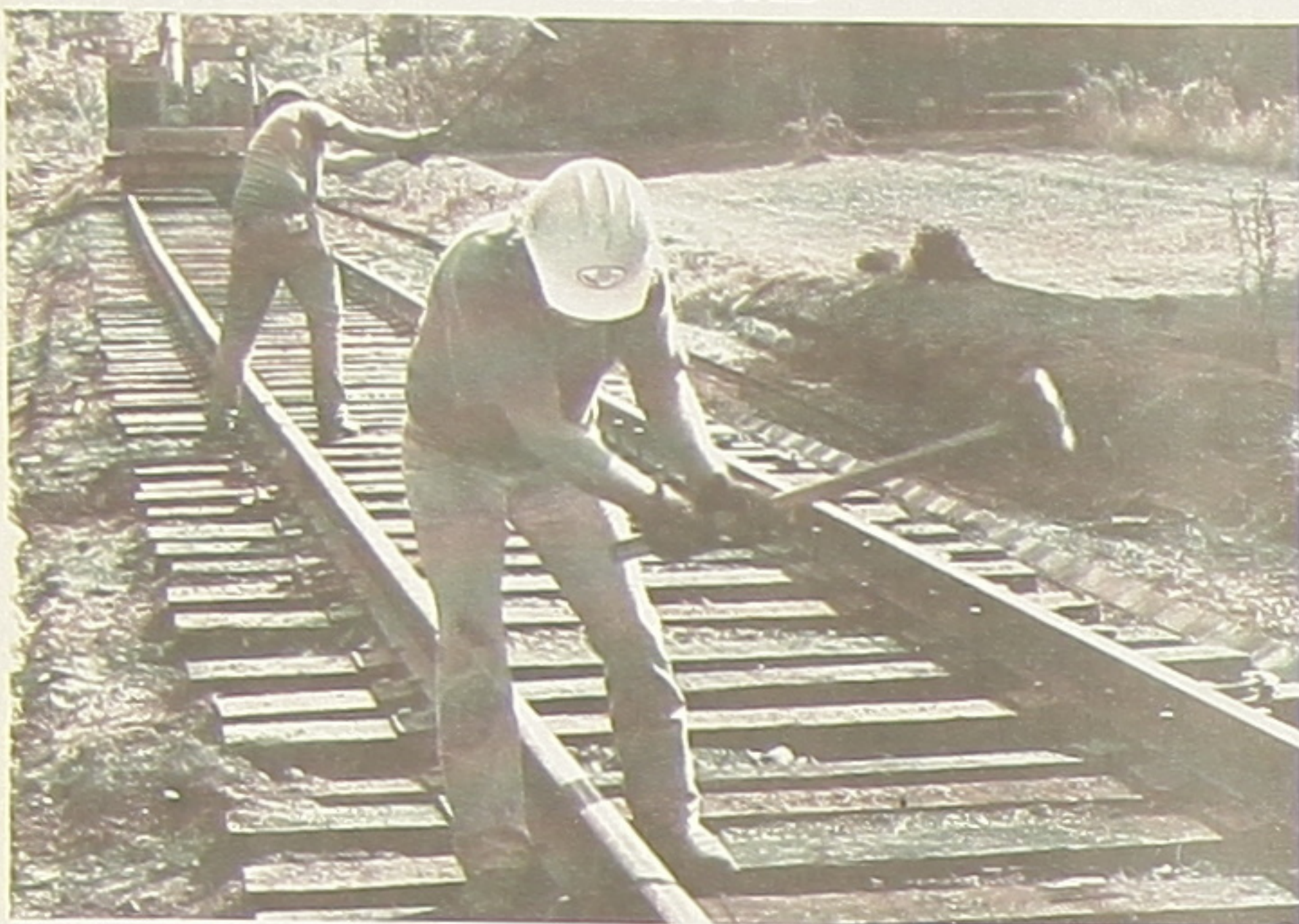
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WORKIN' ON THE RAILROAD



Union Pacific Railroad workers pound rail anchors at the railroad crossing just south of Seventh Street. Union Pacific is installing a rubber crossing designed to last longer and require less maintenance.

JOHN HACKER/The Chart

Bypass temporarily closed

Railroad replaces track at Seventh

By LESLIE KARR
STAFF WRITER

Improvements to the Union Pacific track have forced the closing of the Seventh Street bypass until this evening.

The roadblock, which went into effect Tuesday from Florida street to Range Line, will allow crews to install a new railroad crossing, railroad signals, rails, and an automatic traffic gate.

According to Larry Whiteside, resident engineer with the highway department, the rubber crossing, in particular, is expected to be a big improvement.

"The rubber crossing will make for a smoother ride as well as need less maintenance," Whiteside said.

According to Union Pacific Railroad the average crossing lasts 5-6 years. However, the rubber crossing should require no maintenance for about 20 years.

The railroad improvements are part of a larger program to rebuild Seventh Street.

Initially, Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission awarded a contract in the amount of approximately \$1.3 million to Snyder Bridge Company of Joplin.

The contract called for the removal of the viaduct and .3 miles of a five lane concrete pavement.

"Old age, plus the development of the new shopping center helped our decision for these changes,"

Whiteside said. "When it is done it will be a lot safer for traffic control."

The construction on Seventh Street is expected to last until November.

"Weather could be a big problem," Whiteside said. "It is getting to the time of year when you just can't predict the weather and it goes hand in hand with construction."

"The project could take longer with excessive rain or cold weather."

The detours have caused problems for some Missouri Southern students.

"It's inconvenient, but in the long run it will help with the traffic problems," Chris Shields, junior criminal justice major, said. "There have been a couple of times when the construction had caused traffic to be backed up all the way to Range Line."

Atlas incinerator fight to hold benefit concert

Local group tries to increase awareness, activate

By KIRBY FIELDS
STAFF WRITER

Raising money to fight the proposed Atlas Incinerator is the primary goal of a concert in Joplin Sunday.

The concert is scheduled to run from noon to midnight at Doc Holiday's Outback, 2803 Range Line.

"We believe in the cause and feel like we can do something to get things done," said Doug Hunt, Joplin City Council member.

As a member of the City Council, Hunt remained silent during discussions about the incinerator. Instead, he channeled his environmental efforts into a benefit concert to buy a portion of a rain forest.

When Atlas caused a recent fish kill, Hunt publicly condemned the company. He then was approached by Mike McCullough, a member of Citizens to Save the Environment. The group was planning a concert to raise money to fight the proposed incinerator.

"A portion of the money will go to buy some land in the rain forest,"

said Hunt. "But most of it will go toward legal fees for the attorneys who are opposing the incinerator in court."

According to McCullough, money is the fundamental objective of the concert, but he hopes to increase environmental awareness and get people registered to vote.

"It boils down to environmental concerns being dealt with legislatively, so we have to register voters," McCullough said. "We're just going to start lobbying and hopefully, when elections roll around, be able to endorse a candidate. The motivation is still strictly environmental."

Another group, Carthage Concerned Citizens, formed after legal intervention all ready had begun.

The two groups have combined forces because Carthage jumped in too late to legally appeal the case," McCullough said.

Seven area bands—Smoot Mahuti, Walking on Einstein, Johnny and the Roses, Big Bang, The Authority, Night Train, and the Missionary's—will be volunteering their time. The bands were chosen, McCullough

said, because of their interest in the cause and their talents.

"I'm very much against the incinerator," said Johnny Rose, a musician who has put together a group just for this concert. "I believe they're going to bring a million pounds of waste a day. We have to raise awareness about it."

Guest speakers also are expected to appear. Jim Mueller, a freelance photographer and local resident, has been fighting the incinerator since the original proposal in 1986 has agreed to speak.

"The belief that whatever is good for business is good for Joplin to be re-examined," Mueller said. "My theory is whatever is good for the quality of life is good for the area."

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$10 at the gate. They are available at Jaycee's outlets, Missouri Southern ticket office, Dillon's, Ernie Wilson's in Joplin and Pittsburg, (Okla.) Butane, and McClurg's in Neosho.

MML selects Joplin mayor

By DAWN ADAMSON
STAFF WRITER

Joplin Mayor Cheryl Dandridge was elected president of the Missouri Municipal League on Sept. 14.

The MML was established in 1934 to strengthen cities through unity and cooperation.

"It is an organization that includes 538 communities, cities, and municipalities," Dandridge said. "It brings all the [member] cities together to work toward legislation."

The MML is a statewide, non-partisan, voluntary association. It acts as an inquiry service providing an-

swers to specific problems, including municipal management, operations, and state and federal legislation.

The MML presents the local government point of view to state and federal legislatures. It also researches and prepares technical bulletins on municipal issues.

Dandridge will serve a one-year term as MML president. Her previous service to the organization has included serving on the board of directors, the standing committee on natural resources and urban development, the budget committee, and the executive director evaluation.

"I'll travel through the state and go to regional meetings and prob-

ably get involved in legislative and policies," Dandridge said.

To be nominated, she wrote to the nominating committee pointed by the outgoing president. Several others backed her.

"I was overwhelmed by the written to support me in this position," Dandridge said. "I'm just excited about being president and representing southwest Missouri."

Dandridge became Joplin mayor in 1990 after serving as mayor for three years.

She began her civic career as a member of the Joplin City Council in 1986.

Golf tourney to help GOP re-election effort

By JOHN HACKER
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Gary Burton and Chuck Surface, Republican state representatives from Joplin, hit the greens Tuesday to raise money for their political campaigns.

The fourth annual Surface-Burton Golf Scramble took place at the Schifferdecker Golf Course with 110 area residents and state lobbyists participating.

According to Surface, a four-man team consisting of Joplin's Danny Endicott and Micky Stanley, and Glen Pittman and Dick Doherty of Jefferson City won the tournament.

"We just have one fund-raiser a year and this basically has been it," Burton said. "[The tournament] has grown from about 50 participants two years ago, to 80 last year, and over 100 this year, so we've had a real good growth [rate] so far."

Burton, who represents the 127th district, said the tournament attracts people from many parts of the state.

"We had a few lobbyists represented here, but the balance of it

mainly was local citizens," Burton said.

Surface, who represents the 128th district, said the tournament raised about \$6,000.

"Lobbyists paid \$100, and local folks who support us paid \$50," he said. "We try to raise money once a year and have a tournament that's fun for people to participate in."

Surface said the money will go to support the 1992 re-election efforts of both representatives.

"We're looking at campaigns that can cost \$30,000 with opposition, so dollars are important," he said.

Burton echoed these sentiments.

"Every time you come up for re-election, especially if you have opposition, you're going to spend \$7,000 to \$15,000, and that's just for the general election," Burton said. "If you have a primary you've got another \$7,000 to \$10,000 to spend."

Burton said issues facing the state legislature this year are basic ones.

"I think most everything we do this year is going to hedge around money items," he said.

WHAT'S YOUR TEE TIME?



A participant in the fourth annual Surface-Burton Golf Scramble surveys the line-up of golf carts as other golfers enjoy a picnic picnic off. The tournament, a campaign fund raiser for Mo. Representatives Gary Burton and Chuck Surface, had a field of 110 golfers.

JOHN HACKER/The Chart

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lecture topic to their education should be immediately obvious.

Adult students have adult problems. If they are absent or tardy, it is usually not because they are lazy or irresponsible. They should be responsible for time lost but should not be ridiculed or penalized. Taking attendance is, apparently, a necessary evil of the campus bureaucracy, but should not be part of a course grade. Students should feel that they are motivated to go to class because they will enjoy an enriching experience—not because they are avoiding punitive grading. Adult students should be able to fail with dignity. Failing is part of living and does not reflect on the character or even, in most cases, the intelligence of our students.

Data-gathering research through internships, independent study, the production of art forms, and student research teams should become an important part of all our students' academic experience. This sort of activity would greatly increase an awareness of the professional community in the adult student's major field of study. Also, each of these activities should include a public presentation as well as a written

report. Every discipline has some professional forum for the presentation of student work. These experiences will further decrease student isolation and increase self-confidence.

If a student and an adviser meet twice a year for the adviser to dictate a course schedule, while the student passively accepts the schedule without question or understanding, it is not an adult relationship. Alternately, advising can take advantage of the strengths of adult students. Advisers can actively encourage their students to meet with them to discuss career goals and academic opportunities throughout the year.

At the same time, students should be expected to arrive at enrollment appointments with a good knowledge of the catalog and a tentative schedule in hand. A student who arrives without such preparation should be counseled on their responsibility as an adult, and a new appointment should be made.

An adviser of an adult student should try to liberate their advisees from the four-year syndrome. A mature student should never feel that they have to cling to some high school-like time schedule.



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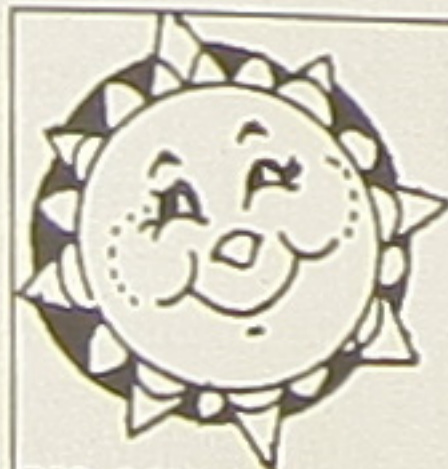
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Lions to face Western passing attack

Southern dominates CMSU, 35-0

By RON FAUSS
STAFF WRITER

Last season's 30-10 Homecoming victory over Missouri Western was the Lions' first win against the Griffons since 1987. Coach Jon Lantz said Saturday's game against the Griffons will not be an easy one.

"They are playing with a mission this season," he said. "They have something to prove. They remind me of our team two years ago."

Game time is 7 p.m. Saturday at Pratt Memorial Stadium in St. Joseph.

The Griffons, 2-1, fell to Emporia State 23-22 last week, but Lantz said Western has improved.

"They seem much more organized

than last year," he said.

The Griffons established school records for rushing offense in each of the last two seasons, but emphasize the passing game now.

"We rely on the six-yard pass like some other teams rely on the four-yard run," said Jeff Conway, Griffon offensive coordinator.

The offense is led by quarterback Mark Ramstack, a junior transfer from the University of Missouri who took over for two-year starter Joe Reid during the second game this season.

"Ramstack fits better into the type of offense we are running now, but he was held back by the fact that he did not participate in spring football drills," Conway said.

Lantz said the Griffons will not be a pushover.

"They are a very good, scrappy team," he said. "They will give us all we can handle."

Southern players are taking Western seriously as well.

"They are a good team; we expect them to be near the top of the conference standings at the end of the season," said Cleon Burrell, senior tailback.

Stan McGarvey, in his first year as Western head coach, knows his Griffons have their work cut out for them. Southern has won eight of the last 12 meetings between the two teams.

"They are a well-rounded football team that does so many things so well, and they really got it together," said McGarvey. "They do so many



Lions vs. Mo. Western
7 p.m. Saturday
at St. Joseph

things well on offense, I hope we can slow them down so we can have a chance."

The Lions are coming off a 35-0 victory over Central Missouri State Saturday at Hughes Stadium. Southern had 494 yards of total offense, including 271 on the ground.

The defensive unit allowed CMSU, 0-3, just 190 total yards, including

only 48 yards rushing on 35 attempts. It was Lantz' first shutout at the Southern helm.

Bill Moten and Matt Cook were the offensive stars of the game. Cook connected on 14 of 24 passes for 235 yards and two touchdowns, including a school-record 81-yard scoring pass to Moten. Moten finished the game with three catches for a career-high 116 yards and two touchdowns.

In addition, sophomore tailback Marques Rodgers added 112 yards on 20 carries. Rodgers also scored a touchdown on a three-yard run.

The Lions earned the respect of Central Missouri's head coach, Terry Noland.

"The Lions are definitely a playoff contender and one of the favorites for the conference title," he said.



RON FAUSS

Lions are for real this year

Make no mistake about it. The football Lions are for real this season.

If you did not know it yet, Saturday's 35-0 drubbing of Central Missouri State was a clear indicator. Even Terry Noland, the Mules' head coach, has jumped on the Lion bandwagon.

"They are for real," he said.

"They are a very, very good football team. The Lions are definitely a playoff contender and one of the favorites for the conference title."

Portland State Head Coach Pokey Allen also is a believer.

"Coach [Jon] Lantz told me that they were still a year away," Allen said. "Well, I got news for him. They are already there. With a few breaks they could find themselves in the playoffs."

The Lions have just completed the toughest three-game segment of the season with a 2-1 record. They easily could be 3-0. Despite the success, some people call them lucky.

"You don't average 35 points a game by luck," Lantz said.

One of the many keys to the Lions' fast start this season is the emergence of Rod Smith at wide receiver and Matt Cook at quarterback. Handing Cook the signal-calling job in the spring seems to be one of the better moves made by Lantz.

"I handed Matt the job and put Rod at wide receiver full-time so they would have the whole summer to get used to it and come back in the fall ready to play at those positions. And it paid off," Lantz said.

Both players seem to have taken their game up a notch.

The emergence of the running game also has helped the Lions in their fast start. The return of senior guard Brian Down and the shift of senior Brad King to center appears to have had a stabilizing effect on the offensive line. They are giving Cook plenty of time to throw, as well as opening gaping holes for the running backs.

The emergence of Marques Rodgers also has had a positive impact on the team thus far.

Rodgers has rushed for 186 yards and has taken a lot of pressure off the other two feature backs, Cleon Burrell and Scott Wynn, who also are enjoying productive seasons.

Opposing coaches are starting to fear the Rodgers-Burrell-Wynn combination.

"You guys [Southern] do so many things well on offense," said Jerry Partridge, Missouri Western defensive coach. "You have Christian Okoye in Rodgers, and Barry Word in Burrell. Plus, Wynn is a quality back, and you have a pair of very talented receivers [in Smith and Heath Helsen]."

The defense is solid as well this season. Many people who do not follow the Lions doubted the defense after it gave up 56 points to Portland State. But it responded well in shutting down the Mules, giving Lantz his first white-washing as Southern coach.

CMSU's Noland knew before the game what the Lion defense was capable of doing.

"Their offense is working and executing very well, but their defense also worries me a great deal," he said. "They did a great job changing things up against a great offense in Portland and gave them all they could handle."

The Lions are a senior-laden, experienced team that seems ready to go to the next level of play—the playoffs.

In 1990 it was the Southern softball team playing for the national title. Last spring it was the baseball team playing in the national spotlight. This season, with a few breaks and some key conference wins, it could be the football Lions in the national playoffs.

You heard it here first.

Coloradans up next for Poertner's crew

By CHAD HAYWORTH
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Lack of advance scouting information is becoming a problem for Scott Poertner's soccer team.

The 2 p.m. Saturday home match with Colorado Christian University will be the first between Missouri Southern, 4-3, and the Eagles.

"The only way to get information on a team is to talk to other coaches who have played them," Poertner said. "That and newspaper reports, but it's hard to get newspapers from Colorado."

On Wednesday, the soccer Lions will travel to Siloam Springs, Ark., to face John Brown University. The Lions tied JBU 1-1 last season.

"They will be tough," Poertner said. "They always get up for us."

Their team speed, especially in their forwards, is always good.

Although JBU is a NAIA school, Poertner said their size was no reason to overlook them.

"They are a good club, even if they are NAIA," Poertner said. "When we get up to the good NAIA teams, there isn't really much difference between them and [NCAA] Division

II."

Southern defeated Avila College 3-0 Saturday, only to drop a 4-3 double overtime decision Monday at Oral Roberts University.

"Against Avila, we finally played like we are supposed to," Poertner said. "Everything just fell into place."

He credited the win to his defense and junior goalkeeper Jim Kantola.

"Kantola made some very good saves," Poertner said. "But the defense kept Avila from taking good shots."

Monday's road loss to ORU was disheartening for Poertner.

"We had opportunities to win the game," he said. "We missed two overtime breakaway opportunities and an opportunity to tie the game at four."

"In the first overtime, we scored first and relaxed a little. They took advantage of it and won."

Poertner said the team was a "little behind" at this point in the season from where he had expected it to be.

"We could only have maybe one loss," he said. "We lack consistency."

"We win a good game, like Avila or Southern Nazarene, and then in the next game we break down."

Cross country squad gets first NCAA rating

By NICK COBLE
STAFF WRITER

Proving they are national champions for a reason, the University of Arkansas Razorbacks dominated the field Saturday during the Missouri Southern Stampede.

In its third annual and largest cross country meet yet, Southern welcomed 19 men's and 12 women's college teams as well as an assortment of area high schools in what Coach Tom Rutledge called one of the largest meets in the nation.

The defending NCAA Division I champion Razorbacks made a near sweep of the awards on the men's 5-kilometer course. Former UA runner Paul Donovan took first, setting a course record of 23:41. He was followed one second later by UA's Brian Baker. The Razorbacks then proceeded to sweep all but 15th place, which went to Emporia State University's Shawn Thomas.

"They know how to run in a pack; that's why they're so successful," Southern runner Kern Sorrell said. "When we learn to pack it up and stay close together we'll be stronger."

Southwest Missouri State University took second in the men's competition, followed by ESU and Central Missouri State University. Oklahoma Baptist and Southern tied for 11th.

Jason Riddle led Southern's men, finishing 22nd at 25:15. He was followed by Sorrell (33rd, 25:42), Joe Wood (38th, 25:47), Jamie Nofsinger (49th, 26:11), and Eddie Avelar (52nd, 26:17).

Southern's men's team recently received its first ranking by the NCAA. Southern now is listed 12th among Division II schools, but may drop slightly in the rankings following Saturday's lower-than-expected finish.

According to Rutledge, a number of factors may have prevented a higher placing in Saturday's meet. The reason the men may not have done well is because they were not focused," he said.

In addition, the previous week's meet at the University of Southern



(From left) Michelle Brown, Emily Blackwell, and Robyn Reese help one another after completing the 5-kilometer race in the Southern Stampede Saturday morning in Hughes Stadium. The three were 34th, 35th, and 36th, respectively.

Southern fared better in the women's competition, taking third overall behind SMSU and Pittsburg State.

"I was ecstatic about the women's performance," Rutledge said. "They performed better than I expected."

Brenda Booth led the women's team by placing fifth at 18:17. She was followed by Stephanie Wigger (14th, 18:56) and Renee Artherton (19th, 19:19). Rhonda Cooper was sidelined with a sprained ankle.

According to Rutledge, Southern is beginning to grab for the brass ring, seeing second- and third-place finishes. He said a first-place finish is not far off.

"It's hard to say we're ahead of schedule because we've never been here before," he said.

"We're going to level out someday, but right now, we don't know how good we can be."

Southern will take a week off from competition in order to gear up for the second half of the season.

"We need to take a week to help increase our mileage," Rutledge said.

"We've got some young kids who haven't learned to race back-to-back yet, and they need a little rest."

THAT'S USING YOUR HEAD



Freshman midfielder Ryan Griesemer heads the ball up the field in Missouri Southern's 3-0 victory over Avila College Saturday afternoon. The Lions, 4-3, entertain Colorado Christian University next.

Lady Lions off to best start since '87

Southern goes 5-0 in CMSU tournament

By STACY CAMPBELL
STAFF WRITER

After jumping off to a 9-1 start, the volleyball team will host the Lady Lions Invitational tomorrow and Saturday.

Missouri Southern opens play in the five-team round-robin tournament at 5 p.m. tomorrow against Arkansas Tech. The Lady Lions face Northeast Missouri State University at 7 p.m.

Saturday, the team meets Northwest Missouri State University at noon and Drury College at 2 p.m.

Debbie Traywick, head coach, knows little about the field other than past experience.

"Drury is a big rival of ours, and I do not know about Arkansas Tech," she said. "Northeast will be gunning for us after this past weekend, and the same goes for Northwest."

Sophomore Sheri Haynes noted the importance of the four games.

"This tournament will help us get to know the teams we play later in the year better," she said. "That will allow us to better prepare for them."

Last weekend the Lady Lions got off to their best start since 1987 as they went 5-0 in the MIAA round-robin tournament at Central Missouri State University.

Southern opened by defeating Pittsburg State University 15-13,

15-10, and 15-12; and Washburn 15-2, 10-15, 15-5, and 15-13. Emporia State fell next (15-8, 11-15, 18-16, and 15-8), and then Northwest (15-8, 15-6, and 15-10). The Lady Lions concluded the tournament by defeating Northeast 15-10, 15-2, and 15-8.

Traywick knows the tournament was good for the team in many ways.

"The most positive thing for us was we gained a lot of confidence," she said. "The more we played, the more confidence we got."

"We just got better and better in every match. We still have four opponents [in MIAA round-robin play], and three of them are the toughest three teams in the conference."

Sophomore Lori Fausett thought the 5-0 round-robin mark was "great" for the Lady Lions.

"We are excited about the tournament," she said. "No losses for any team is great, and we now are confident about beating any team."

Traywick thinks the team's defense has helped the other aspects of its game.

"Our defense and transition are a lot smoother, but defense has made the transition a lot smoother," she said. "It all starts with defense."

Haynes said passing and communication on the floor have helped the Lady Lions as well.

"Our passing has improved every game, and the whole game starts with passing," she said. "Talking on the floor has improved every game as well, and that has helped."

Hitting has been an early asset for the team, according to Traywick.

"Our hitters have become more consistent and are putting more balls on the floor," she said. "That comes with having an experienced setter."

"Danielle Bishop did a good job last season, but her experience is paying off this season."

Traywick said two players stood out last weekend.

"Missy Beveridge had one of the best games since she has been here against Northeast. Michelle Dixon played real well against Washburn as well."

Beveridge had 19 kill spikes and 16 digs against Northeast, while Haynes added 19 digs in the victory. Bishop had 32 assists.

Haynes led Southern past Northwest with 13 kills and 15 digs. Bishop contributed 31 assists and four serving aces. Fausett had five solo blocks.

Despite the individual performances, Traywick believed it was a total team effort.

"We are a well-rounded team," she said. "We don't rely on one player."

Bishop, a junior, attributes the hot start to staying focused.

"We are focusing on what we are doing," she said. "We are not better than the past, but we are just more focused on what we need to do."

Fausett said the team needs to keep doing what has made it successful.

"We need to keep serving good and stay injury free," she said. "We have a good strong bench, and we need to keep our confidence."

Pursuing the 'simple life'



Mennonite family's lifestyle stresses religion and values

For the Jacob Byler family, the simple life will do nicely, thank you.

Byler, wife, Nancy, and their children: Sharon, 12; Mark, 11; James, 9; Emma Joy, 7; Phillip, 4; and Bethany, 20 months, are Mennonites who live on a 30-acre dairy farm in Fairview, Mo., southeast of Joplin.

They live a simple life centered around their church and their farm, according to Byler.

"We feel the family is the church," he said. "As the family goes so goes the church."

Byler said there are different factions of Mennonites, each with its own beliefs.

"You've got old-order Amish and new-order Amish, which are a little more modern," he said. "Old-order Amish have the horse and buggy and no electricity, while the new-order Amish would have electricity and a farm with tractors and the like. We believe in the same teachings as the old-order [Amish], but in a different application."

Noticeably absent from the well-kept one-story farmhouse is a radio or television, called in Mennonite literature "those sewer pipelines pouring the filth of the world into the home."

Byler said, "We don't have televi-

sion and radio in our home because we feel it's not good."

For the Bylers, church is a source of fellowship as well as faith.

"Our church has about 24 families in it," Byler said. "We get together throughout the week. One family has another family over sometimes for fellowship dinners."

The Bylers also try to avoid store-bought food whenever possible.

"When something goes wrong with a cow or it just gets old, it goes for meat," he said. "One steer will last about a year for a family. We also buy a couple of hogs and fatten them up."

The Bylers also grow most of their own vegetables.

"We raise all our own tomatoes for ketchup, tomato soup, and taco sauce," he said.

Fruits are one thing Byler usually has to buy.

"We buy peaches and apples, and we can them," he said. "We also buy grapes and steam them to make grape juice."

The dairy is the family's primary source of income. According to Byler, the past year was hard on the dairy industry as a whole.

According to Byler, a good milk cow can give between 80 and 100 pounds of milk per day. An average

cow can provide about 50 pounds.

"[Our milk] is rated grade A and is used for bottled milk and the like," he said. "We get inspected about every three months by the city of Springfield health department."

The Byler children are educated in a local Mennonite school.

"We have our own school at the church that goes up to the eighth grade," Byler said. "Most Mennonites don't go any higher."

The Mennonites generally avoid politics, according to Byler.

"We basically take an unresistant stand," he said. "We don't believe in demonstrating against government policies."

"We don't feel that we should tell the government what to do. The Bible tells us we should pray for our leaders."

Byler said he does appreciate the United States and the freedoms it provides.

"I think all United States citizens should go to a foreign country for a while," he said.

According to Byler, a missionary trip to Honduras helped his family appreciate America better.

"I think it's good for a family to experience how other people live in other parts of the world," he said.



(Clockwise from top left) Jacob Byler and son James share a moment in the family kitchen; Emma Joy, 7, Phillip, 4, hold each other; Emma Joy jumps off a limb; James tends to one of the Byler dairy cows; The Bylers pose for a family portrait; Nancy Byler hangs the family wash; Phillip and Emma Joy share play.

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